

Picomus officin

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may have a definite fixed salary that everybody will understand. Let it be made \$6,000, which I think is a fair equivalent for the old pay, taking no account of the franking privilege, or even \$5,500; and I

Something to be Done.
From the Advocate of Peace.

All Friends of Peace who receive the following petition, prepared by the Executive Committee of the American Peace Society, are requested to procure its insertion in the newspapers of their vicinities, with this paragraph preceding, and then attach half a sheet or more of common-sized paper, date it, rule it for names.

Post-Offices and States, circulate the petitions for signatures, or at least leave them in public places for the same, and send them to Howard C. Dunham, Office Agent of the American Peace Society, at

No. 1 Somerset street, Boston. These petitions will then be forwarded to Washington, and placed in the hands of some interested and able Member of Congress for presentation and advocacy. In case

for presentation and advocacy. Let men, women and children be invited to sign them, (for all are sufferers from war,) and let us send up to our Legislators an appeal for Peace, urged by so many that it

will be heard and heeded. We shall have War with its horrors, or Peace with its blessings, as public sentiment preponderates for one or the other.

In view of the happy issue of our late arbitrations with Great Britain, now so promptly and faithfully fulfilled, and of the recent address of the British House of Commons to the Queen, praying her "to instruct her principal Secretary of

State for Foreign Affairs to enter into communication with Foreign Powers with a view to the further improvement of International Law, and the establishment of a general and permanent system of International Arbitration."—

We, the undersigned, citizens of the United States, earnestly pray His Excellency the President, and the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled, to use all suitable endeavors for the attainment of these

great and beneficent objects; and, as a preliminary measure in the interest of general security and national disarmament, to seek an express stipulation between nations, that they will not resort to war till peaceful arbitration has been

tried, and never without a *full year's previous notice*.

RIVER BANK, IND., Jan. 4, '74.

FRIEND MULLIKAN: Some time has

FRIENDS AMERICANS:—Some time has elapsed since the "River Bank man" has been heard from, and as the holidays are past and all seemed to enjoy themselves so well, we thought to mention a few

For the first: On christmas day John Poorman and Miss Stevens were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. We were told that John has an estimable

young wife, but the inference is she has got a Poor-man, however, they have our best wishes for their future welfare and happiness.

Christmas passed off very pleasantly with

us, and at night all were very agreeably entertained at St John's church, where there was a magnificent display of presents for the Sunday school children; with many others for friends and loved ones.

On January 1st, Mr. Peter Brenner,

thinking it not good for man to be alone, chose a fair young lady (whose name we did not learn) to be his helpmate through life. We congratulate our friend Peter, in his success, and wish him prosperity

As surprise parties are in vogue now we, of this neighborhood, concluded to follow "suit," and accordingly five wagons were loaded as though we were

going to market, except our wives and children accompanied, and all fell in line and drove to the residence of our pastor, the Rev. P. J. Spangler, of Plymouth, when after the usual salutations we began

depositing our supplies in their repository, so amply fit for their reception, and from the smiles that played upon the countenance of the recipients, we were induced to believe that they were thankfully received, and that not a frown could appear

if such blessings were continued. The pastor said "if that was the way we treat our pastor on New Years day, all he regretted was that it only came once a year. We were induced by a friend to attend a literary society last Friday evening at

Walnut Grove school house. The exercises were opened with an essay by Mr. L. Zechiel, entitled "The Old and the New Year," which seemed very appropriate, and was composed in good style, and reflected much credit upon the author and

the association. Mr. Sam'l Parker also read an essay on intemperance, which was an able production for a young man of little experience. P. W. Hime read a very pithy little paper called the "Broad Axe." The whole proceedings were

This forenoon about 10 o'clock, a heavy gale from the southwest did much damage to farmers, uncapping hay stacks, blowing down fences and scattering corn fodder

The week of prayer is to be observed at St. John's church, the Rev. Spangler in attendance. Our Sabbath School re-

organized to-day by electing Peter Jacoby
superintendent; Wm. Kellehan, secretary;
E. Goble, librarian; Jno. Strawderman,
treasurer.